

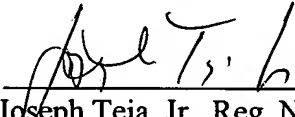
**REMARKS**

In this Preliminary Amendment, Applicants have amended the drawings to address various issues noted during the preparation of formal drawings. No new matter is added.

Favorable action is respectfully requested. If any questions arise regarding this application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call the Applicants' attorney at the telephone number listed below.

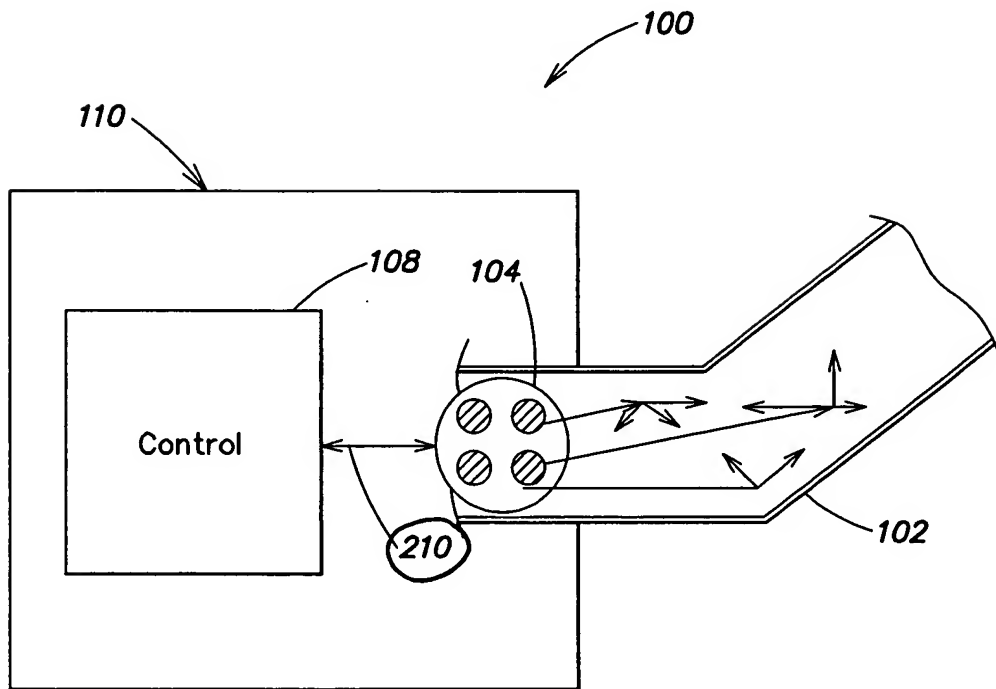
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**FIG. 1**

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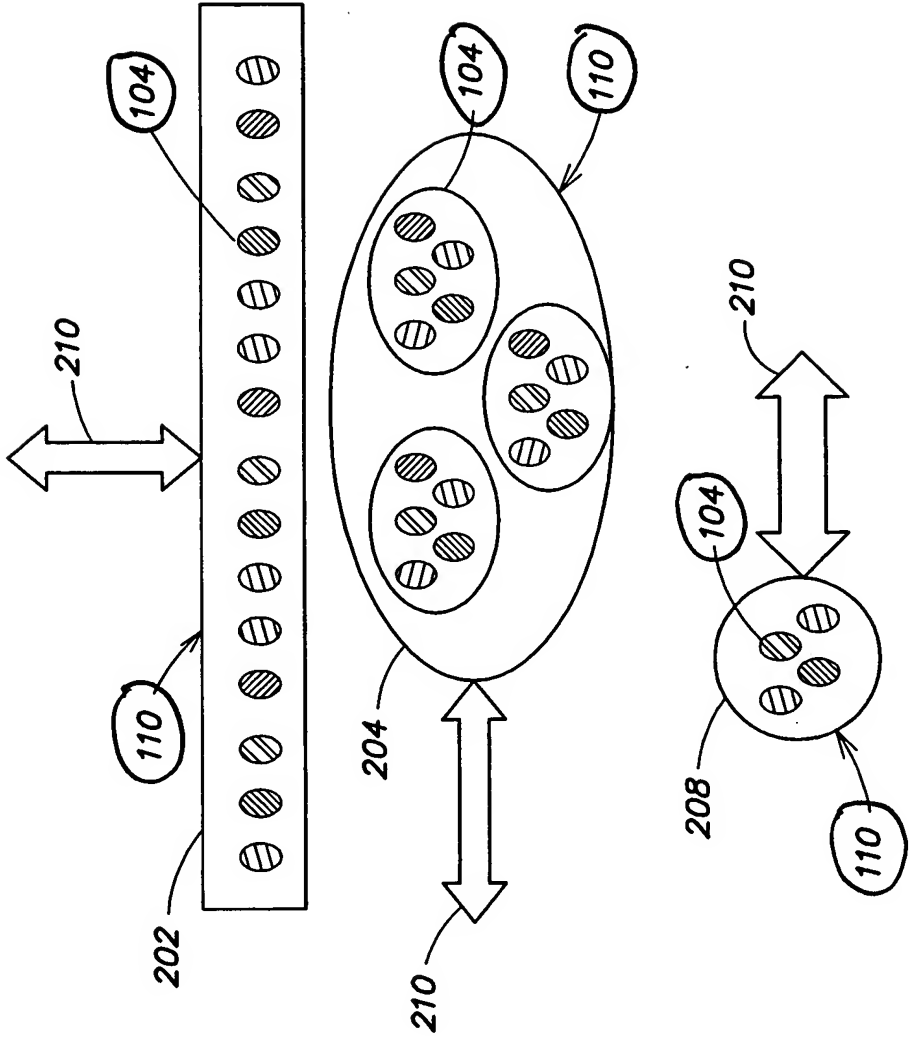


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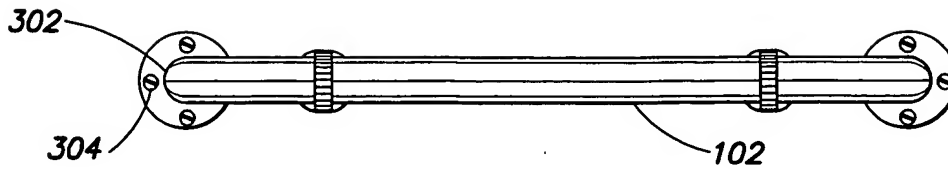


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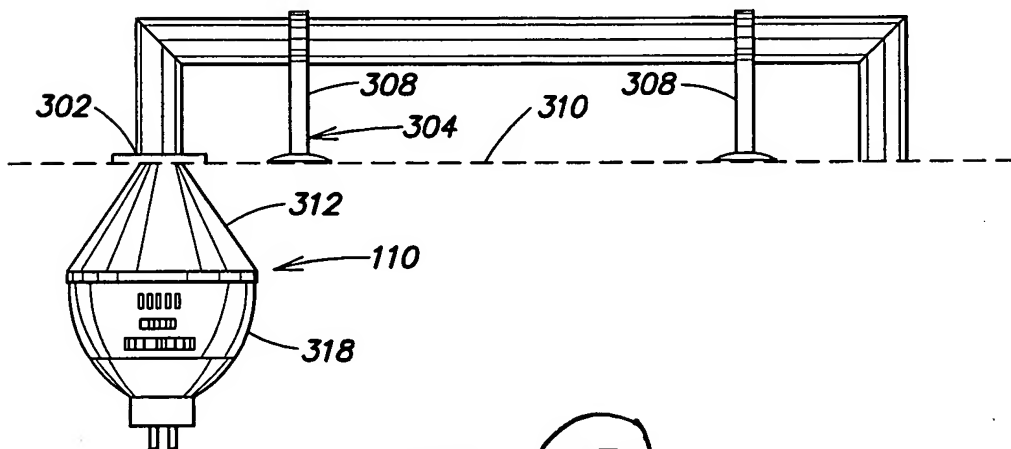


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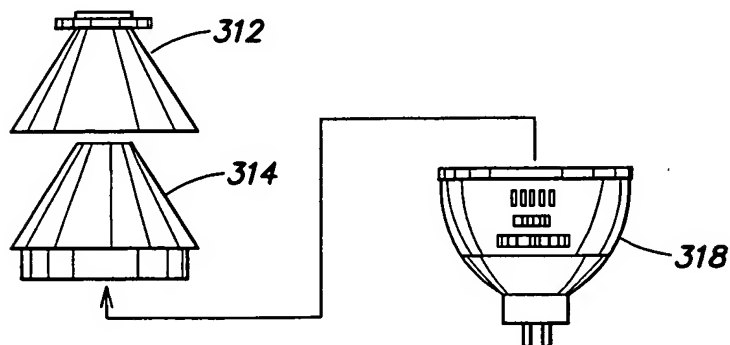


FIG. 3C

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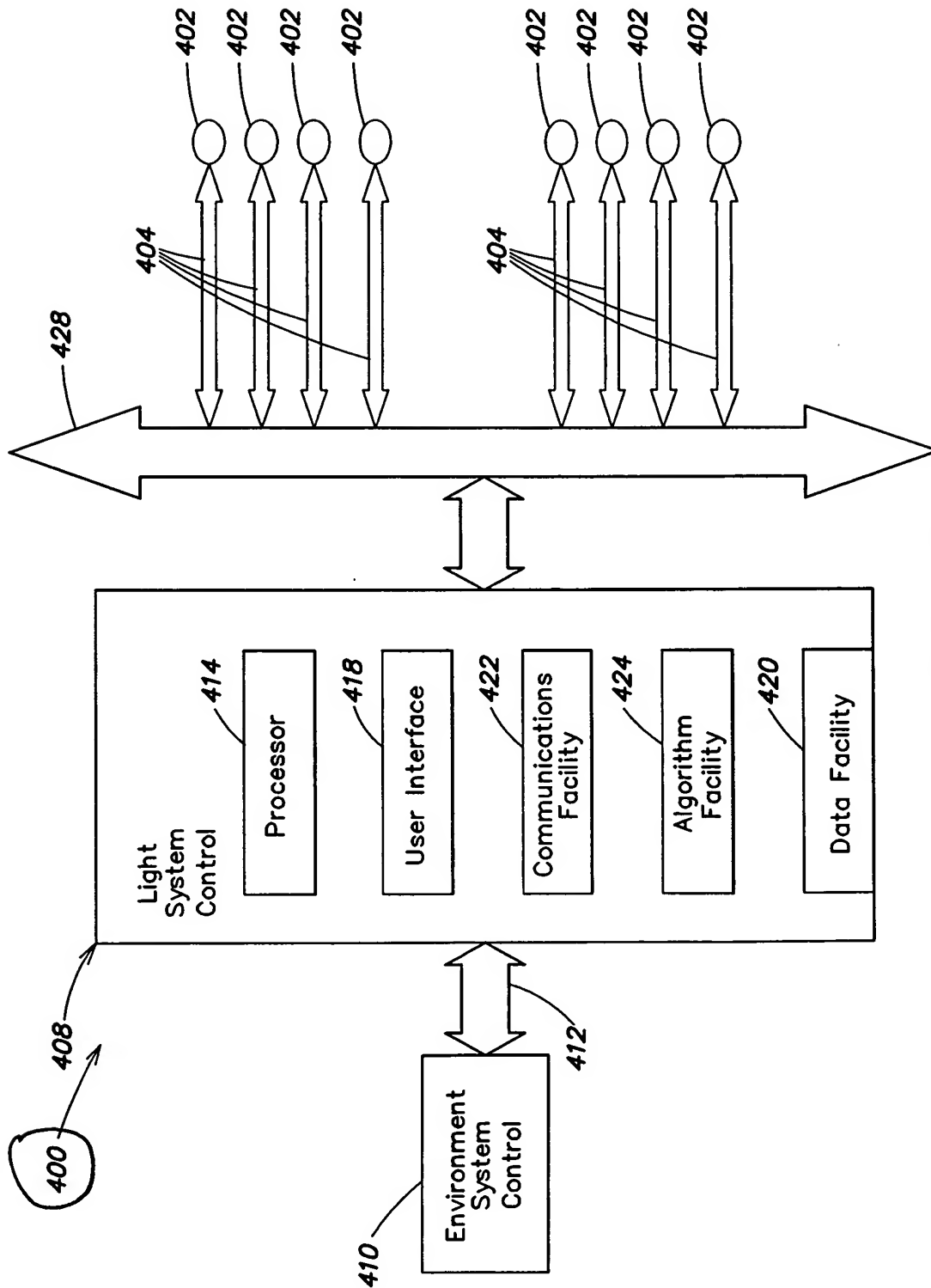
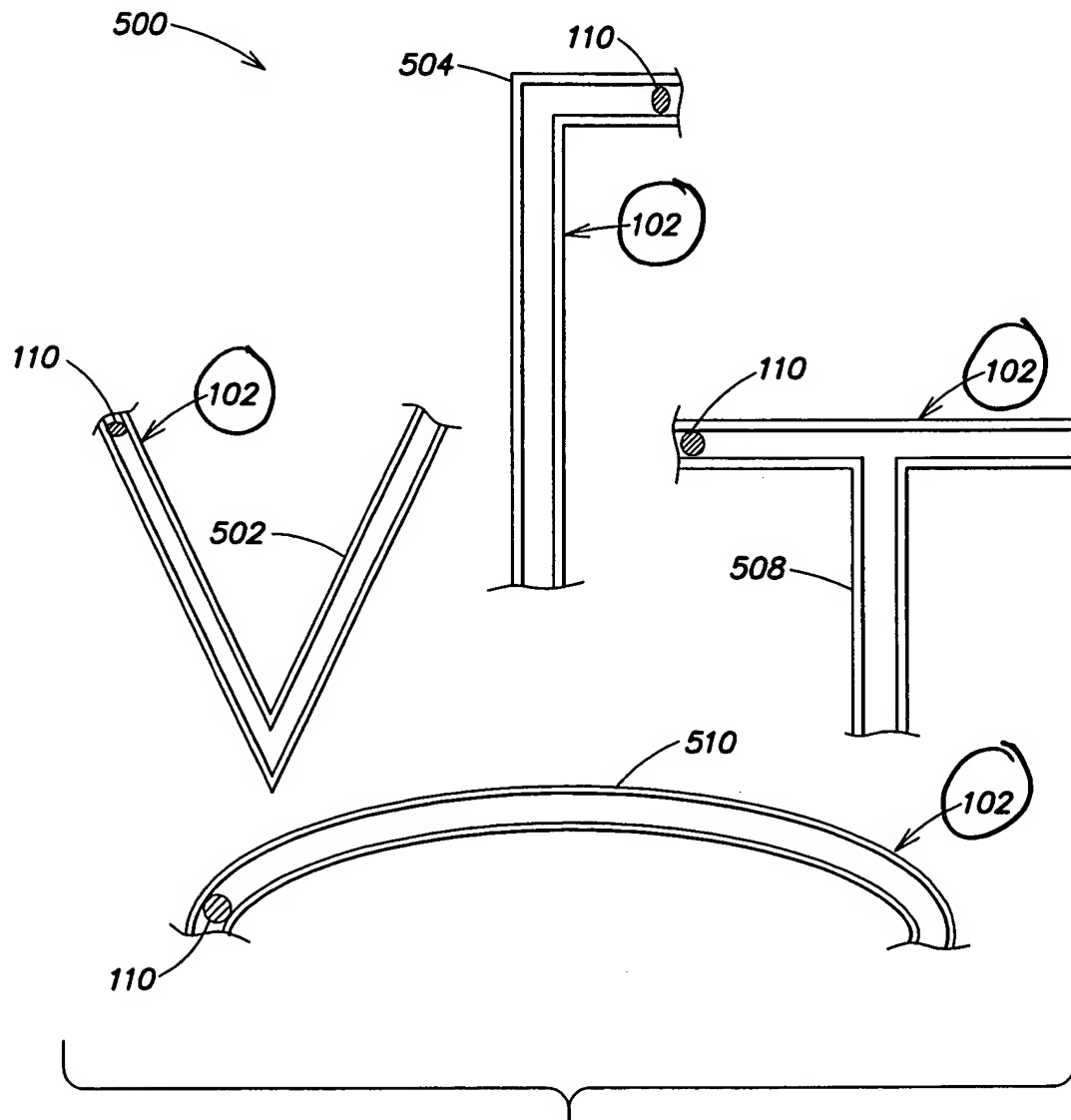


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**FIG. 5**

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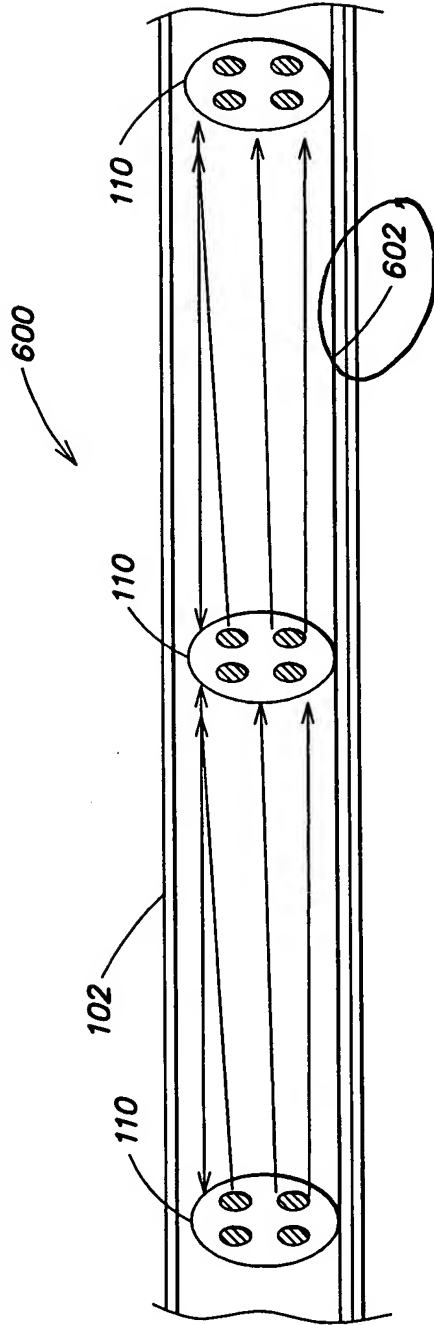


FIG. 6

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